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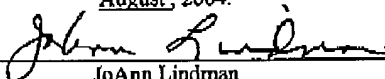
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action of the Examiner mailed May 5, 2004, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response ending August 4, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.